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USCG PASS USGAO HONOLULU HAWAII FOR SHELEY, BANGKOK FOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: GAO VISIT ON ENERGY MATTERS
BANGKOK FOR STAFFORD

1. WILLIAM KEPPLER, GAO SUPERVISORY AUDITOR, WISHES TO
STOP IN TOKYO FOR 3 DAYS (JUNE 28-30) EN ROUTE TO BANGKOK
AND JAKARTA.

2. PRINCIPAL MISSION IN TOKYO IS TO MEET WITH EMBASSY
OFFICIALS, SPECIFICALLY THE SCIENTIFIC REPRESENTATIVE
AND THE RESOURCE ATTACHE IN ORDER TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL
PERSPECTIVES ON AN ONGOING GAO REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION IN ENERGY R&D AND A REVIEW OF ENERGY'S ROLE
IN U.S.-INDONESIAN RELATIONS.

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3. ON THE R&D REVIEW, KEPPLER WISHES TO DISCUSS THE DUTIES
AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ABOVE OFFICIALS AND OBTAIN
EMBASSY VIEWS ON HR 12598 WHICH WAS PASSED ON MAY 31 AND
WHICH PROVIDES TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 503
AND 504, BROAD OPERATING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES
FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES. HE
WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH APPROPRIATE EMBASSY

OFFICIALS JAPAN'S POLICIES AND PRACTICES TOWARD INTERNATIONAL R&D EFFORTS.

4. CONCERNING GAO REVIEW IN INDONESIA, KEPPLER WISHES TO ALSO MEET WITH EMBASSY POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS JAPAN-INDONESIAN RELATIONS AS THEY RELATE TO U.S. INTERESTS IN ASSISTING INDONESIA FURTHER EXPLORE AND DEVELOP ITS OIL AND GAS RESERVES. KEPPLER WOULD ALSO LIKE TO MEET WITH OFFICIALS OF KEIDANREN TO DISCUSS ISSUES RELEVANT TO BOTH SURVEY AND REVIEW EFFORTS. SPECIFICALLY, HE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS:

-- GOVERNMENT/BUSINESS ROLE IN R&D EFFORTS;

-- CONSTRAINTS (PATENT INFRINGEMENTS, ETC.);

-- JAPANESE PERSPECTIVES OF INDONESIAN ECONOMY, AND

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES. (EMBASSY JAKARTA MAY WISH TO COMMENT TO TOKYO AND DEPARTMENT ON INDONESIAN ASPECTS OF PROPOSED JAPANESE DISCUSSIONS)

5. THE GAO IS AWARE THAT CONTACTS WITH FOREIGN OFFICIALS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE AMBASSADOR, TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY THE EMBASSY AND EMBOFF TO ACCOMPANY, IF FEASIBLE. KEPPLER HAS BEEN BRIEFED BY AE/F.
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6. DEPARTMENT CERTIFIES THAT KEPPLER HAS CURRENT TOP SECRET SECURITY CLEARANCE.

7. EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN RESERVING AND CONFIRMING SINGLE ROOM WITH BATH FOR MR. KEPPLER AT HOTEL OKURA FOR NIGHTS OF JUNE 26 THROUGH 30 INCLUSIVE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

8. IT IS THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICY TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO THE GAO AND TO BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE WITHIN THE GUIDELINES OF 4 FAM 930-934. ANY QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS THAT SHOULD ARISE DURING THE COURSE OF THE VISIT, PARTICULARLY REGARDING GAO ACCESS TO AND/OR RETENTION OF DEPARTMENT FILES OR DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT. VANCE

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